

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Wataru KUBO

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action dated August 13, 2002, setting a shortened three-month statutory period for response to expire on November 13, 2002, and having been extended by two months to January 13, 2003 by the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3 as follows (A "marked up" copy of this claim is provided as an attachment to this Reply):